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Return to Hybrid Learning Reminders January 19, 2021 High School North

Dear Parents, Families, and Students - we are so very excited to welcome our students and staff back to the building starting January 19, 2021, for in person learning. As we continue to navigate through the Covid-19 Pandemic, our goals have not changed. We want all staff and students to feel: 1) SAFE, 2) HEARD, and 3) CONNECTED. We are so proud of how well everyone did while we were in school to start the year. It is important that we all continue to operate and follow the below expectations.

1. What does the first week of our return to in person learning look like?

- Monday, January 18: District Closed (No School for staff or students)
- Tuesday, January 19: Groups A, C, F, & G report to school. Groups B, CE, & E learn remotely
- Wednesday, January 20: Remote Learning for all students
- Thursday, January 21: Groups B, C, F, & G report to school. Groups A, CE, & E learn remotely
- Friday, January 22: Transition Day (No School for students)

2. What are the top safety reminders I should follow? Have they changed?

- No, they have not changed. We will continue the following:
 - Maintain a minimum 6 ft social distance at all times.
 - Wear your mask at all times covering your mouth and nose.
 - Keep interactions brief and be sure to maintain a minimum 6 feet social distance.
 - Keep your hands clean by washing and using hand sanitizer throughout the day.
 - If you are sick, stay home from school.

3. When do I report to school?

- Report time is 7:10 and you will need to be in Homeroom by 7:20am.

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- Parents who completed the student arrival form can still drop their child(ren) off at HS North between 7:20am and 8:38am and not be marked tardy.

4. Will our procedures for arrival to school and getting breakfast be different?

- Our procedures will be the same as they were in the fall:
 - Students riding the buses that park in front of the school will be dismissed from the bus, enter the front main entrance, get breakfast from the cafeteria if interested, and report directly to homeroom.
 - Students whose parents are dropping them off will be dismissed from their cars by security, enter the front main entrance, get breakfast from the cafeteria if interested, and report directly to homeroom.
 - Students riding the buses that park in front of the gym will be dismissed from the bus, enter the library/gym entrance, get breakfast from the concession stand if interested, and report directly to homeroom.
 - Students who drive to school will park in the student lot, enter the library/gym entrance, get breakfast from the concession stand if interested, and report directly to homeroom.

5. Will I be able to use my locker?

- Students will not be using lockers at all to minimize touch points and congestions in the hallways.
- Students will continue to carry all items with them throughout the hallways and to classes.

6. What if I am a winter athlete, and I bring a sports bag and/or equipment to school in the morning?

- Athletes will have an assigned locker in their locker room and be able to place sports related bags in those lockers upon arrival to school.
- They will not be able to access them again until practice time after school.

7. Is the bell schedule the same?

- The bell schedule is the same schedule we have been following all year long.
- Please refer to the attached [20-21 Bell Schedule](#) or as available on the HS North Webpage.

8. What do I do during office hours?

- Office hours are a great time to google meet with teachers for extra help. All teachers are available.
- They are also a great time to complete missing assignments, do homework, meet with counselors for career, social emotional, and/or academic needs, and complete all required Smart Futures activities.
- This can be done both while attending school and while learning remotely.

9. Will hallway movement and transitions look the same?

- We will continue to move about the hallways the same way we did in the fall.

- We will continue to "Be Polite and Stay to the Right." All staff and students will need to move about the hallways by staying to the right.
- Yellow tape markings and arrows are still on the hallway floors to remind staff and students on how to move throughout the hallways.
- We will also continue with up or down stairwells.

10. What do I need to remember when I am in class?

- The expectations in all classrooms have not changed and begin with safety first.
- You will return to your assigned seats for the first week of school.
- When we start the 2nd semester, you will be assigned a new seat for new classes and you must adhere to them each day. This is very important for contact tracing purposes.
- Seating will be arranged in all classrooms with social distancing in mind as to maintain 6 feet where feasible.

11. Will I still use the electronic hall pass to use the restroom, visit the nurse, and offices?

- Yes, we will continue to refrain from using the bathroom and offices during class transitions changes.
- Upon arrival to the next class, students will notify his/her teacher that they need to use the restroom or go to an office, complete the electronic hall pass, and when the teacher allows, they will report directly to their destination.

12. What if I am having technology or Chromebook Issues?

- Add this to your toolbar: [Technology Support Form](#)
- Add this to your toolbar: [Loaner Chromebook Form](#)

13. Am I allowed to use the water fountains during the school day?

- Water fountains will only be allowed for water bottle fill-ups.
- Water fountains cannot be used in the traditional sense.
- All students are encouraged to have a water bottle with them while at school.

14. Will I still have assigned seats in the Cafeteria?

- Yes, you will still report back to your assigned seat in the cafeteria for lunch.
- You will have the opportunity to pick a new seat to start the 2nd semester.
- Additionally:
 - Breakfast and lunch will be free for all students for the remainder of the 20-21 school year.
 - Grab and Go Meals will continue to be available for pick up at HS North, HS South, and Middle Smithfield from 10-1 Monday - Friday.

15. Will visitors be able to enter the building?

- To ensure the safety of all staff and students, visitors are still not allowed in the building unless there is a scheduled appointment as approved by administration.
- Unannounced visitors will not be allowed to enter the building.
- Parent meetings will continue to take place virtually or via phone conference.

16. Will I still be dismissed via the PA system at the end of the day?

- Yes, you will be dismissed from school by way of the PA System following afternoon announcements.

We hope you find these reminders helpful. Please do not hesitate to email administration or call the high school main office with any questions.

Stay safe, stay awesome, and we look forward to students returning to school starting January 19th!

Sincerely,
Team North